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Mr. Glenn Davis, Program Manager
Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
Surface Water Discharges Section
89 Kings Highway
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Re:

Rain Event - July 19, 2011

Dear Mr. Davis:

As we discussed in our telephone conversation on July 20,2011, there was a significant rain and lightning event at the Allen's Harbeson wastewater treatment facility on July 19, 2011 that led to a discharge of storm water at the SW 003 station for approximately ninety minutes.

At 3:00 p.m. the rain and lightning event started and was significant. It was deemed unsafe to go out into the storm for purposes of checking the storm water stations at that time. Scott Hevner, Director of Technical Services and Jason Reale, Corporate Engineer was onsite with me throughout the duration of the storm. At approximately 4:00 p.m. the storm had subsided to the point where the three of us went to check the storm water stations to see if there may be a discharge. We first checked SW 002 and found the pump to be pumping and no discharge occurring. We then went to SW 003 and found the station to be discharging storm water. The pump was checked and found not to be working. It was decided that a sample of the storm water discharged should be taken. Scott Hevner and myself looked at the flow into and across the outside sump and the flow down stream leaving the property to be significantly different. To get the most representative sample of the discharge it was decided to take the sample down stream where the discharge was leaving the property. Once Scott and I got close to the proposed sample location we found it unsafe to crawl down the embankment to grab the sample. For this reason no sample was taken.

The rain event ended at approximately 4:30 p.m. and we had an Allen's electrician check the pump. It was found to be kicked out and needed to be reset. Once the pump started working the discharge stopped very shortly thereafter.

Based on a calculation that has been previously used to estimate flow to the storm water stations it was determined that approximately 55,000 gallons of storm water was received at the station over the period of ninety minutes. As previously stated it is estimated that the discharge lasted approximately ninety minutes and a total of 55,000 gallons was discharged.

As stated in our CSI response letter Allen Family Foods retained BP Environmental to evaluate the Storm Water outfalls for representative sampling. It will be recommended to the new owner of the facility to continue with that evaluation so that a representative sample can be taken safely of any discharge events that may occur.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (302) 684-1640, Extension 184.

Respectfully submitted,

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